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Weather:
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OIL NIGHTMARE: Mrs. Sally Weinsieder and sons Jules and Richard observe the "oil well" which unfortunately bubbled to the surface in their Los Angeles backyard recently. The Weinsieders at first thought they were lucky—but the seepage turned out to be from a long-abandoned well and they've had to pay to have the stuff hauled away. (AP Wirephoto)

Premier Quits In Vietnamese Shakeup

Peace Boycott May End

SAIGON (AP) — South Vietnamese Premier Tran Van Huong has submitted his resignation to President Nguyen Van Thieu amid some indication of a possible shift in South Vietnam's boycott of the Paris peace talks, authoritative sources said today.

On the military front, the U.S. Command accused North Vietnam of violating a mutual agreement to keep the demilitarized zone free of military activity and sent American bombers streaking over the zone to attack bunkers and ammunition stores. A spokesman said 34 North Vietnamese soldiers were

killed and at least a dozen bunkers were destroyed in the southern half of the DMZ.

Huong's resignation was submitted as a result of differences arising partly from the stalled peace talks, the sources said. It was part of an over-all Cabinet crisis which could result in Huong's return to office as head of a stronger government or his departure from Thieu's regime.

DENIES REPORT Information Minister Ton That Thien, asked about the report of Huong's resignation, said the premier had been informed, "laughed and termed it not accurate." However, Thien would not elaborate and declined to comment further when asked if the report was true.

Other sources in the government said a Cabinet shakeup had been under consideration for several days and some kind of official action was imminent.

Just what shift in the South Vietnamese boycott of the Paris talks was likely was not known, and government sources would make no official comment. But other sources close to the government said if a stronger Cabinet emerged and the Thieu regime thus felt more secure, the president might not feel it so necessary that his delegation outrank that of the Viet Cong's National Liberation Front at the Paris talks.

Huong submitted his resignation Thursday, but by this afternoon Thieu reportedly had not decided whether to accept it. The president was reported considering a major Cabinet re-

shuffle, including the foreign and information ministries.

WANTS STRONG HAND

One source said Huong was determined to stay in office only if he could strengthen his Cabinet to meet the domestic political problems which might arise as a result of the talks.

The premier, who wields little political power under South Vietnam's constitution, was reportedly dissatisfied with the slow progress of his campaign against corruption and interference by the military in Cabinet affairs.

The real power is held by (See back page, sec. 1, col. 2)

Ex-Berrien Woman Dies Of Injuries

A former Three Oaks resident who was critically injured Nov. 1 in a two-car crash in Chikaming township which killed her husband, died Thursday in Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor.

Mrs. Manda Novacich, 69, of

Wheaton, Ill., was injured in a broadside crash at the intersection of Warren Woods and Flynn roads about three miles south of Sawyer in Chikaming township. Her husband, Jacob Novacich, 74, was killed in the

crash. Driver of the other auto, Dennis Strefling, 18, of Three Oaks, received only minor injuries and was not hospitalized.

Mrs. Novacich's death brings the Berrien county traffic toll for 1968 to 51.

Police said that the Novacich auto, travelling south on Flynn road, stopped at a stop sign, then drove onto Warren Woods road into the path of the Strefling auto. No summons was issued.

Mrs. Novacich was born in Austria, July 10, 1899, the daughter of John and Mary Oreskovic Bukovac. She and her husband, Charles, moved to Worth one month ago from Three Oaks where they had made their homes for 20 years. Survivors include two daugh-



TRAN VAN HUONG

BERRIEN SPRINGS

Principal Is All For Buck Fever Holidays

BERRIEN SPRINGS—The annual five-day "hunting leave" for Berrien Springs high school students begins today with the opening of the deer season.

Any boy in grades 9 through 12 in this southwestern Michigan community who has a C grade average and who can get his parents' permission is excused from school to go hunting during the first week of the deer season. This year 32 boys will skip classes to try to bag a deer.

There's only one flaw in the picture—the students are required to make up missed class work.

Lester Diekema, high school principal, says he doesn't know when the custom of granting hunting leaves to students began, but he's all for it.

"The boys study better after they get the hunting fever out of their systems," he said.

The only thing he doesn't like about the arrangement is that principals are not allowed to go hunting too.

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SENATOR PUSHING FOR ARMY OF VOLUNTEERS

LBJ-Nixon Agreement Is Unique

Will Consult On Foreign Policy Moves

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson and Richard M. Nixon are breaking historic new ground with their agreement for advance consultation on any major foreign policy moves before Nixon's Jan. 20 inauguration.

They probably will have to decide as they go along exactly how the arrangement will work.

Nixon's designation of veteran diplomat Robert D. Murphy as his personal representative in the foreign affairs field is expected to make the arrangement smooth and efficient.

Nixon told a news conference Monday, after a meeting with President Johnson, that the present administration can speak in the next two months on foreign affairs with the full authority of the incoming administration.

At a news conference in New York Thursday he said Johnson had agreed to consult him before making any significant moves.

NIXON'S ROLE

But Nixon also said that for the United States to speak to other countries with a single voice it would be necessary for the President-elect to agree to a course of action.

This seemed to indicate Nixon was reserving the right to withhold his agreement.

The White House was unexpectedly brief in its reaction to the Nixon statement. A spokesman said only the President's power had not been "diluted."

This seemed to indicate the President was reserving the right to take any action he considered necessary.

Commenting on the prospect of disagreement, Nixon said he and Johnson "did not discuss that precisely."

One evident result of the agreement is to increase Johnson's effective power in the conduct of foreign relations during the next two months. Otherwise, he would be limited substantially to commitments that he could fulfill in the time remaining to him as president.

Another result which Nixon apparently hopes for may well be to speed up the Vietnamese peace negotiations as compared with the pace they would probably follow if there was no assured continuity of U.S. policy.

Vietnam War

Nixon made clear in campaign speeches he considered settlement of the war—or at least de-Americanization of the conflict—a priority objective for the next administration.

His emphasis on seeking to rebuild unity in this country and on shifting the focus of foreign affairs from Asia to Europe suggest that if President Johnson does have a chance to conclude a peace settlement in the next two months Nixon will do everything he can to assist.

Nixon is represented as confident that President Johnson will not make a major foreign policy move which he does not approve. His reasoning is reported to be that successful action by the present administration on any problem of importance requires the assurance of policy continuity in the new administration.

At the White House, Press Secretary George Christian said in response to a direct question that "nothing has diluted presidential authority"—a statement of the constitutional fact that until the moment of Nixon's inauguration the fall legal powers of the presidency can be exercised only by Johnson.

Scotch mixed dbls., every Fri. 10 p.m., Lakeshore Lanes. Adv. Fruit filled Danish coffee cakes, Spec. 69c. Eitel's Bakery. Adv.



HUDDLE WITH HOOVER: President-elect Richard M. Nixon, right, talks with J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, at Nixon's office in the Hotel Pierre in New York Thursday. Following the meeting with Nixon, Hoover said in a network interview that "justice is merely incidental to law and order." The term "law and order" was a major presidential campaign issue and Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, the loser, campaigned for "law and order with justice." "Law and order is what covers the whole picture," Hoover said. "Justice is part of it, but it can't be separated as a single thing." (AP Wirephoto)

Atlas Press Of Kazoo Buys Covel's Of BH

Plant Will Remain Here

Atlas Manufacturing Co. of Benton Harbor has been sold to the Atlas Press Co. of Kalamazoo for an undisclosed amount of cash, it was announced today by Louis Filstrup, Covel president.

The Graham avenue plant is one of the Twin Cities' oldest manufacturing firms, in business here for 61 years.

E. H. Marsland, president of Atlas, said it is expected that Covel's will operate as a division of Atlas with no changes in management, personnel or business objectives.

The Covel company is owned by members of the long locally prominent Filstrup family. It employs 125 people and had sales for calendar year 1967 of approximately \$3.6 million. Covel's manufactures grinders of several types: surface, cylindrical and cutter and tool.

Atlas Press Co. has its headquarters and one division in Kalamazoo. It has another division in Warsaw, Ind. Its sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1968, were approximately \$15.1 million. Atlas produces metal-working lathes, drill presses and vertical and horizontal milling machines for industrial and vocational markets.

Stockholders in Covel are all

But Nixon Disagrees On Timing

Ending Draft Is Main Part Of Proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — A moderate Republican senator plans early in the new Congress to revive efforts to replace the draft with an all-volunteer Army a move that would implement a Nixon campaign proposal.

Oregon's Mark O. Hatfield said Wednesday he hopes beforehand to iron out with President-elect Nixon their major difference on the proposal—the matter of timing.

Hatfield said in an interview his bill will call for a prompt start on the changeover. Nixon proposed to wait until the end of the Vietnam war.

"This is the time to begin," Hatfield said.

Despite their differences over the timing, Hatfield views Nixon's stand as boosting the effort to end the draft.

STIFF OPPOSITION

Other congressional sources, however, predict the proposal will run into the same stiff opposition it has encountered in the past in the powerful armed services committees of both houses of Congress.

"Compulsory conscription is repugnant, short of a true national emergency, to a country that purports to have democratic institutions," Hatfield said.

Hatfield plays down the controversies over methods of selection, deferments, age order of induction and conscientious objections.

Such discussions, he said, camouflage "the most basic inequity of the current draft system—the fact that a smaller and smaller minority of our young men is carrying the burden of national defense."

"We cannot tolerate the injustice of a system that capriciously requires two years out of the lives of some young men while allowing others their liberty," he said.

The system of filling manpower needs is wasteful, he added, because of the high cost of training men who, for the most part, leave the service as soon as their two-year induction period expires.

The bill he plans to submit would provide for a transition period in going from the draft to an all-volunteer system.

It calls for higher military salaries, expansion of in-service education and training, greater opportunities for enlisted men to become officers, reduction in the length of time required before promotion, better social, cultural and recreational facilities for personnel, and higher bonuses for re-enlistment.

'NOT WORKABLE'

Opponents of the volunteer army counter that the proposals look good but are not workable.

Proposals for the volunteer approach were rejected last year when the committee considered legislation to extend the draft, subsequently extended by Congress to June 30, 1971.

Sen. Richard B. Russell, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate

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HE'S NO. 1: Laurence Shuttleworth of 934 East Main street, Benton Harbor, holds up the first 1969 license plates issued this morning at the auto license bureau, 505 Pleasant street, St. Joseph. Shuttleworth said he began waiting at 2 a.m. today and wasn't joined until 3:07 a.m. by the second in line, Caesar Bluschke of 2217 Pioneer road, St. Joseph. License plates go on sale throughout Michigan today and they will cost more. Shuttleworth's cost \$19.80—about eight dollars more than last year. Story on page 23. (Staff photo)

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

Public Endeavors Require The Public's Confidence

A Letter To Ye Ed today prompts a thought on a basic question underlying a government operating under the democratic process.

It is the confidence, or lack of it, which the people have in their officials who are elected or appointed to carry on the job of running the government.

Today's Letter from a Galien mother implies that her village council is downgrading her argument for a policeman rather than a traffic light to guard a street crossing extensively used by school children. By indicating publicly a much lower number of signers on her petition than was the actual count, the council, she says in effect, is trying to smother her effort as a minority movement of inconsequential value.

Whatever the merits to the basic argument may be and assuming the councilmen are searching out the most practical solution, the statement that her petition contained only a fifth of the signers to the petition tends to leave the impression that the housewife writer's views are not overly welcome at the town hall.

This particular statistical variation in a small community quickly finds an accurate judgment, but as information and misinformation moves up the ladder to the state and national levels, the public's judgment of its officialdom is shaped by different lenses.

In Galien the microscope is the person to person analysis.

From Lansing and Washington the image is filtered and shaped by long distance projection. Personal contact, which is the warp and woof of the small community, is missing. The man at the top must come through to his constituents since he and they can not be shoulder to shoulder.

How effectively this projection is done eventually influences the top man's gain or loss and in tandem with it, the success or failure of the government.

George Washington was the only President to enjoy the unadulterated confidence of the

public. He was swept into office as the only genuinely drafted President and he departed from it in equal esteem.

Every other tenant in the White House never lacked for detractors and American politics, being what they are, it is safe to say no future President will share Washington's unique position.

Teddy Roosevelt probably came as close as anyone to hold that Jovian acclaim.

All of the others held batting averages in the credibility rating game considerably under the 1.000 mark.

Somewhat interestingly in that respect, Lincoln during his first term was almost as suspect as to his motives and operational procedures in the North as he was vilified in the South. History proved that contemporary assessment to be wrong, that what appeared to many in the 1860s to be politics at best and chicanery at worst was a daily exercise to develop statesmanship of the highest order.

During some of FDR's campaigns for the White House, the Democrats reminded their Republican opposition of this in the slogan, "They said the same things about Lincoln."

The campaign just closed revives this quadriennial debate as to the credibility of the man in the White House or him who would enter into it.

Although LBJ swamped Goldwater and for what seemed at the time the Republican party as well in 1964, he never shed completely a reputation as a wheeler dealer, one trained by long years in the House and Senate to backstage agreements.

This impression, one at first propagandized by diehard GOP opposition, gained circulation and two years ago the term, credibility gap, was coined. The public, regardless of partisan affiliation, began to think Johnson was incapable of operating except by the devious method of saying he was headed east when all along he was moving southwest.

The public opinion polls began to notice this feeling so extensively that they convinced LBJ he would be as great a loser in '68 as he was a winner in '64. This was the reason for announcing his retirement at the conclusion of his budget message to Congress last spring.

While we suspect history may view Johnson's methodology in a more favorable light, the fact remains that action is taken on the basis of what is known or suspected at the present time.

Nixon had this problem dogging him to some extent during the campaign and is moving to dispel any vestige of what his opponents call "the old Nixon."

This runs back to his first entry into national politics following World War II.

He won membership in the California Congressional delegation by defeating Helen Gahagan Douglas, the actress, for the House.

Mrs. Douglas, he said time and again, was the best friend the Communists could have.

She was undeniably far to the left. Nixon simply dramatized her position for the benefit of what he sized up as a conservative constituency.

This was the origin of the "tricky Dick" appellation, one hung on him by the Americans for Democratic Action.

The Democrats repeated the ADA label in an effort to show that Nixon invariably will revert to the wily stratagem to achieve his goal.

A major element in leadership is the trust of those in the ranks.

The moment the public begins to think of its Chief Executive as a dealer rather than a leader, the Presidency changes into a dry rot of Constitutional prerogatives. The real power in the office has slipped away.

Only a candid dialogue between the President and the people can sustain mutual confidence.

This is not entirely an original statement.

It's a paraphrase of a main theme in Nixon's campaign speeches; and by every indication since the election, he is moving openly in that direction to set the January 20th inaugural off on the right foot.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

JUNIOR HIGH BIDS OPEN

—1 Year Ago—

Low bids for construction of a new St. Joseph Junior High School total approximately \$1.6 million — \$200,000 over estimates of last February when a bond issue was passed.

A quick compilation indicated the building would cost not quite \$17 a square foot.

RYAN MCQUILLAN FORM LAW FIRM

—10 Years Ago—

Formation of a new law partnership in St. Joseph was announced. Principals in the partnership are Atty. John T. Ryan and Atty. James B. McQuillan.

Attorney Ryan has been practicing law in St. Joseph for the past 12 years. Attorney McQuillan has been associated with Mr. Ryan for the past two years, coming to St. Joseph from Jackson.

YANKS BOMB BULGARIAN CAPITAL

—25 Years Ago—

American planes bombed Sofia Sunday bringing the war home to the capital of Bulgaria which had been holding down her Balkan neighbors of Greece and Yugoslavia with occupation troops.

Other Mediterranean air fleets struck into the French Riviera at the Anthor viaduct leading to Italy to cripple German communications into the peninsula where the Fifth and Eighth armies were engaged in inconclusive fighting within 75 miles of Rome. Still other planes bombed Yugoslavia and the Civitave harbor north of Rome.

BASKETBALL BEGINS

—35 Years Ago—

The inauguration of a girls' basketball team at the YWCA has been announced with Miss Dorothy Nordberg as coach.

BETTER SERVICE

—45 Years Ago—

Better telephone service is being provided for subscribers south of St. Joseph. Old open lines are being torn down and new cable systems substituted, W.L. Stevens, company manager, announces.

SEASON CLOSING

—55 Years Ago—

It is announced by officials of the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship company, that the navigation season will be officially closed Nov. 17 from St. Joseph and Nov. 18 from Benton Harbor.

ONE MORE YEAR

—75 Years Ago—

The Wells-Higman basket company will operate their basket factory where it is next year and then vacate the building for the Vandalia Railroad company.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

GALIEN'S TRAFFIC LIGHT

My name is Ann Geminder and I am a taxpayer and resident of the village of Galien. My husband, Paul, has his business located within the village of Galien and we have two children who walk between seven and eight blocks to attend Galien Township School.

I am stating these facts so that you will understand that I am an interested citizen of the village of Galien. I am also the person who circulated and presented the petitions to the Galien village council concerning the traffic light at the corners of Cleveland and South-eastern Street.

I am sending this letter to the editor of The Herald-Press concerning the report of the council meeting held on November 11 and reported in the November 12th edition of The Herald-Press.

I am especially concerned with the report of the number of signatures on the petitions.

When I read the article, I immediately called your correspondent here in Galien, Mrs. Mary Leazenny, and asked where the number, 30, came from in the article concerning the number of signatures on the petition.

She said she was asked by Village Clerk Lee Miller how many signatures were needed on a petition. She told me she answered that she thought 25 or 30. (Evidently this is where the number 30 came from in the article in the newspaper.)

Since I circulated and turned in the petition, I knew there were a great many more signatures and told her I thought the exact number should have been reported. She stated she couldn't change it but suggested that I call Councilman Miller, which I did.

Councilman Miller read to me what he said he had given to Mrs. Leazenny, stating that he did not mention any number and didn't feel that it was necessary to report how many signatures appeared on the petition.

I disagree! I feel the people of Galien should be told all the facts and figures and then should decide for themselves how they feel and let the council members

know.

I know Councilman Miller and Mrs. Leazenny favor having the traffic signal in question and The Herald-Press can only report information that is given to them. This is why I am writing.

On October 16 I started circulating a petition to the read as follows:

"We, the undersigned residents of the Village of Galien, Michigan do hereby petition the Galien Village Council not to put the stop light at the corner of Southwestern Street and Cleveland Avenue back into operation. We object because during the time the light was in operation in the past, many accidents have occurred at the corner, and without the light in operation, there have been no accidents. We also fear that with the light in operation, some child going to or from school might be seriously hurt. We suggest that instead of the stop light, a patrolman or the Village Marshall be at the corner during the time the children are going to and from school."

When I turned in the petition at the Galien village council meeting on November 11, it was several pages long and contained 148 signatures of Galien village residents. I had contacted 158 residents and 10 chose not to sign and the 148 did sign.

I have made many telephone calls and asked many questions concerning the traffic light. I suggest to anyone who is really interested to do the same. It is not costly, and doesn't take much time.

A call to the Berrien county sheriff's office (to see if they would issue a summons if an accident occurred as before); the county clerk's office (to see if it is a legal, registered light); or to any justice of the peace (to check on Michigan state laws covering traffic signals in the state of Michigan).

I have made other calls, but three or four of the above mentioned calls is all anyone would have to make and they would have enough information to decide for themselves. (Only the call to the State Police would be a long distance call, the others are either Galien or Buchanan exchanges.)

I would also suggest telephoning Galien village council members if you have any

questions concerning the cost of the light, how the timing on the light when changing colors would work if the light is put back in operation, and if the green light that is now on top where red should be on the one side can be changed. Also ask about a patrolman or the Village Marshall being at the corner when the children go to and from school.

I had these questions and many others answered for me when I attended the Council meeting, and I am convinced more than before that I would not let my children cross at that corner should the light be put back in use.

Check with the school officials to see what their feelings and suggestions would be.

Send letters to the Editor stating your feelings, and by all means, let the council members know your feelings.

Also, why when a village marshal is paid every month, couldn't he be at the corner helping the children going to and from school and issuing tickets for speeders? The cost of the light would have given the Marshall a raise in pay and paid his salary for many months.

The council claim the traffic light has helped the speeding problem on Galien's Main Street. But in my opinion, the speeding problem doesn't exist on just the Main Street (Cleveland Avenue) but on all streets.

A Village Marshall can reach all streets in Galien and issue tickets. A traffic light can't.

I do realize we have these traffic safety problems in Galien and they have been there for a long time.

I also realize the Village Council is really working for the same thing I am in favor of, making it safe for children going to and from school and stop the speeding cars. Where we disagree is how to go about solving the problem.

I am not alone in my opinions.

If out of 158 people contacted, 148 signed the petition and 10 did not, the council should have a good idea how the village residents feel on this subject.

The decision is theirs.

Sincerely,
MRS. ANN GEMINDER,
209 West Second St.,
Galien

DR. COLEMAN

.. And Speaking Of Your Health

Can tuberculosis occur in other parts of the body besides the lung?

Mr. K. D., Kansas

Dear Mr. D.: There are a number of misunderstandings about tuberculosis. One is the misconception that tuberculosis only affects the lungs. The other is that tuberculosis is a disease which has died out and is no longer a significant threat to health.

Unfortunately, tuberculosis is not limited to the pulmonary type that affects the lungs. There are few organs in the body that are free of this disease when it remains untreated or neglected.

The Dr. Coleman's gastrointestinal tract, the kidneys, the bladder, the nervous system, the brain, the skin and the bones and joints of the body can become infected. It is for this reason that tuberculosis is always considered in any important diagnosis and ruled out as a possible cause of disease. Tuberculosis is caused by the mycobacterium tuberculosis, which comes in a number of types.

The lymph glands and the female organs in the pelvis, the ovaries, and the fallopian tubes can become infected when there is severe tuberculosis infection in the lungs.

Almost always infections in distant places take place when there is active tuberculosis of the lung. Only rarely do these occur in the absence of such infection.

The concept that tuberculosis is a disease of the past is false, utterly false. It is true that the mortality from this disease has been declining steadily since the turn of the century. One of the reasons for this is the treatment with the new antibiotic drugs. Another, and perhaps more significant reason for this decline

is that the social and economic conditions associated with malnutrition are being wiped out in the privileged and underprivileged countries.

There was a time when there was tremendous shame attached to this disease and families avoided discussing it or even treating it. When tuberculosis was brought out into the open as just another disease, active treatment could be instituted to cure the condition and to prevent family and community extension of this condition.

Long standing coughs that are casually passed off as a "smoker's cough" must be thoroughly investigated to be sure that a low grade tuberculosis infection does not exist. X-rays of the chest taken as a routine in every thorough examination help to pick up cases of unsuspected tuberculosis. It should be emphasized that yearly X-ray examination of the lungs does not subject a person to unusual radiation hazard. The low dosage of X-rays in modern machines is not a threat to adults or even young children.

There are now a number of studies called tuberculin tests. The Mantoux, the Vollmer and the Hecht test are used to acquire some information as to whether a tuberculosis infection is active or inactive. The choice of test depends on the physician. The BCG vaccine against tuberculosis is not universally accepted, but may be valuable in selective cases.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH—Repeated attacks of "upset stomach" need study rather than the excuse of "something I ate."

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

When France played against Italy in the 1960 World Bridge Olympiad (won by France), Bourcetoff and Delmouly were respectively West and East for France on this deal:

The twin brothers J. and R. Shapley reached six by bidding: 2♦, 2♦, 3♦, 4♦, 4♦, 6♦.

Booker and Lee bid: 2♦, 2NT, 3♦, 4♦, 4♦.

The Spurway brothers bid: 2♦, 2NT, 3♦, 4♦, 4♦.

Dormer and S. Dyer bid: 2♦, 2NT, 3♦, 5♦, 6♦.

Crown and Wardman bid: 2♦, 2♦,

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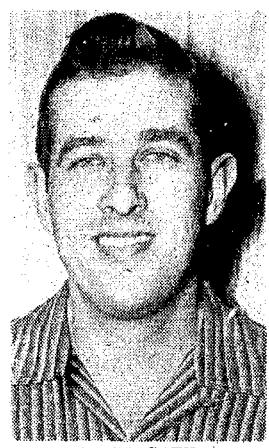
OLD TWIN CITY SPANS MUST GO...WHEN?

Benton Apartment Project Revealed

O'Brien Estimates Cost At \$1.5 Million

Tentative plans for a \$1.5 million apartment project were presented to the Benton township planning commission last night by real estate agent Jack O'Brien. Plans include 18 buildings with 104 rental units.

David Chew Killed By Pistol Shot



DANIEL CHEW

David Dean Chew, 38, well-known former owner of Dave's u-Sports' store in Bridgeman, died last night of a self-inflicted gun shot wound, Berrien sheriff's officers reported.

He was discovered about 1:45 a.m. today in his bedroom by Richard Kimball. The two men were renting a house on Jericho road, Bridgeman, with a third man, Carl Kasischke.

Kimball told Berrien county deputy Sheriff Stanley H. Wolkens he thought Chew had gone to sleep with the light on and went into his room to turn it off. He found Chew on the bed with a .38 pistol in his hand.

Wolkens said a note was found in the room indicating Chew owed about \$1,000 to several other persons, and had about \$800 owed to him.

Chew starred in basketball at Benton Harbor high school and Community college.

He was born Oct. 11, 1930, in Benton Harbor, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chew. He has resided in the twin city area all his life and was presently employed at the Gelesko Tool and Die Co. in Bridgeman.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Lydia Chew of St. Joseph, and his sister, Mrs. David (Carol) Molnar of Benton Harbor. His father died March 29, 1962.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete this morning at the Reiser funeral home. Friends and relatives may visit the funeral home anytime Saturday.



JACK O'BRIEN
Tells Housing Plans

The plans were submitted when O'Brien requested a zoning change from two-family to multiple family for a 10-acre parcel of land at 1850 Highland avenue.

O'Brien said the buildings will be privately financed; all he needs is the zoning change and water service, he said. The planning commission referred the request to a study committee and set Dec. 12 as the public hearing date on the zoning change.

The rental units, will be built around other apartment buildings O'Brien has refurbished. Rent on the new units will be about \$100 a month, he said.

O'Brien, who will be owner and manager of the new units, said plans include building the units to Federal Housing Authority specifications. Lights, sidewalks, streets, curb and gutters will also be included. He did not disclose financial details other than to say funds would be private.

O'Brien said he will also be needing water, and thought he could hook up with the new water line which will be passing about four blocks away, at Highland and Crystal avenues.

The structures will be built of brick and aluminum and will include 72 three-bedroom apartments, 24 two-bedroom apartments and eight one-bedroom apartments. O'Brien said Kingsbury prepackaged homes will be used.

O'Brien is the developer of O'Brien's Shamrock subdivision on Britain avenue west of Benton Center road, and of Shamrock subdivision II, which was opened next to it last spring. Shamrock I has 30 homes and Shamrock II has 20 lots and three homes at present.

PUBLIC HEARING

Another public hearing was set for Dec. 12 for Mrs. Charley Querterman of 2205 Williams avenue, Benton Heights, to change 420 Collins avenue from single family to a two-family dwelling, so a \$12,000 addition can be made.

The planning commission recommended that a special permit be issued to Robert E. Dearing, 1261 East Napier avenue, for the purpose of building an addition onto the Dearing Office Machine Co. The recommendation goes to the board of trustees for final action.

Referred to committees were:

• At request of William Ballard, 1616 Reeder street, to operate a used car lot at 1684½ Red Arrow highway, at the southwest corner of Crystal avenue.

• A request of Ralph Carnegie, Jr., of 547 Britain avenue, to change the zoning at North M-139 and Star street from residential to commercial for Saturdays.

Highway Dept. Will Share Cost

Main, Wayne St. Project Has 'Top Priority'

By JIM SHANAHAN
BH City Editor

Replacement of two archaic bridges linking the Twin Cities seems virtually assured, according to a State Highway department engineer.

The question is when?

"The Main and Wayne street project has to be done," said Ronald J. Roberts, a route location engineer from Lansing. "We have been thinking 1970. But . . ."

An anticipated reduction in funds casts some doubt over the exact timing. The project currently is estimated at \$3.5 million, split 50-50 between state and federal sources, because the bridges are on the I-94 business route.

Plans for the two new bridges, each of four lanes, have a "high priority rating" with the department, according to Roberts.

REPORT DUE SOON

He said the state is considering three routes for the new bridges and expects to have a report ready by Feb. 1, 1969.

Most preferred is immediately south of the existing bridges crossing the St. Joseph river and Morrison channel between Benton Harbor and St. Joseph. An alternative is just north of the spans and involves going over the old Benton Harbor ship canal.

A third possibility is the existing alignment, but this would require temporary structures to maintain traffic during construction.

Roberts said new construction will be of higher elevation than the present bridges to aid navigation. The Morrison channel crossing will be fixed. A bascule span is planned for Main street. It will open to permit passage of vessels on the river, but higher elevation means only infrequent disruptions in highway traffic.

The Benton Harbor and St. Joseph city commission are on record favoring new bridges.

The municipal governments will be further consulted along with the Coast Guard and Army Corps of Engineers on the navigational aspects, Roberts said.

Average daily traffic on the two-lane bridges is 21,000 vehicles. It's projected to be 35,000 by 1990 if the capacity is there, and Roberts said that's impossible with the present bridges.

Construction of new Main and Wayne bridges will not rule out the possibility of a new crossing between Empire avenue, Benton Harbor, and Pearl street, St. Joseph. Roberts said this is in the department's "long range thinking when traffic warrants it."

Although the Main-Wayne bridge is kept in the best repair possible, maintenance can't overcome the ravages of time and daily traffic pounding.

ONE AT A TIME

The situation was illustrated two weeks ago with the posting of new weight limits. Heavier trucks are now permitted on the bridges, but they are restricted to one truck on a bridge at a time, a system that requires some accurate reckoning by drivers of both trucks and autos.

Edward Miller, district traffic engineer for the department, said violations of the rules could mean "the bridges might be badly strained and require extensive repair."

The new maximums are straight body trucks, 35 tons; tractor and semi, 43 tons; tractor, semi and trailer, 49 tons.

The bridge crossing the main channel of the St. Joseph river was constructed as a swing bridge in 1909. The Morrison channel bridge was built in 1911.

Slave Day Saturday In Decatur

DECATUR — The senior class of the Decatur high school is asking for work to do on Slave Day, Saturday, from nine a.m. until six p.m. Anyone in the community who has odd jobs or work of any kind to be done may call 423-5611 or 423-7286 or 423-2806.



DOOMED?: Narrow obsolete bridges between the Twin Cities are scheduled for replacement by the State Highway department. Routes for new crossings are now being planned. Only hitch is when

funds will be available for the federal-state project. Ancient and ugly Morrison channel bridge is in the foreground of view looking toward Main street bridge into Benton Harbor. (Staff photo)

M-139 Widening Job Is Postponed Again

Awaiting Federal Funds

By BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

Completion will take almost a year.

The cost of the 50-50 federal

state project isn't known, he

added, though it was included in

a proposed \$38 million bid

letting by the state highway

department.

But the January bid-letting by the

state will be pared to a

maximum of about \$6 million.

Berrien county's road commis-

sion also has a hand in the

project — a 50-50 split with

the federal government of \$509,000

costs to widen to five lanes

Pipestone, Napier and Nickerson

avenue at M-139.

The commission over the past

year plus has spent \$75,000 to

ward acquiring rights-of-way for

the three intersection widenings

"and we still have some parcels

yet to acquire — and the reason

is our busy (Berrien circuit)

court calendar," Calvin said.

But a new third circuit judge

is expected to speed processing

of highway condemnation cases.

STORM DRAIN

The road commission also has

all but completed a project

related to M-139 widening that of building a 4-foot diameter underground storm drain

from Willow creek at Napier east to M-139 and south on M-139 for a total of five-eighths of a mile.

This drain, a \$134,419 federal-state-local project with \$44,000 of road commission funds and \$17,000 from Benton township,

will serve as a trunk to connect smaller drains along M-139 with Willow creek, which drains into the St. Joseph river.

Next, said Calvin, is highway widening — when Uncle Sam comes through with the money.

He had a bright note for drivers of M-139 and Nickerson avenue, however.

The road commission at a Nov. 8 meeting agreed to pay half the cost and maintenance of a full traffic light at Nickerson and M-139, a corner criticized for a high accident rate and difficulty of crossing for Nickerson traffic. The state will pay the rest.

Installation of the full signal — it will replace a flasher and stop signs — will be as soon as equipment is available, Calvin said.

Once drivers find out Nickerson-M-139 is a controlled intersection heavy traffic on Napier and M-139 should be relieved, he added.

Store Gets Tough With Shoplifters

Three women were arraigned yesterday before Benton township Justice of the Peace Chester L. Jolay, Jr. for shoplifting at Goldblatt's, Fairplain Plaza. The arraignments were a result of the store's new policy to prosecute all shoplifters.

Leading guilty to a charge of petty larceny were Valerie Sharon Leonard, 18, of 869 East Vineyard street, and Kitty Sue Reid, 18, of 419 Ohio street, both of Benton Harbor. They were sentenced to fine and cost of \$125 or 15 days in jail.

Leading innocent yesterday was Isabella Ash, 18, of 479 Ridford street. Her bond was set at \$100. The trio were arrested by Benton township police Wednesday.

Also arraigned yesterday, Richard C. Story, 18, of 463 Foster avenue, pleaded innocent to a warrant charging him with malicious destruction of property. His bond was set at \$100.



MEMORABLE EVENT: Irv Wermont, a memory expert from Boston, astounded 350 persons last night at the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce banquet in Shadowland ballroom. His gift for total recall was illustrated by distributing pages of a magazine throughout the audience and then quoting the text. Getting some memory tips are (left to right) Walter Laetz, master of ceremonies; Harry Hall, State Chamber president; Wermont, and Robert Starks, Twin Cities Chamber president.



PREPARE FOR OPENING: The operators of a new Flavor-Crisp Chicken house at Territorial road and Wells avenue in Benton township started business this week. Left to right are: Arlene Wilson, Joyce Curtis, Cassie Buda and her husband, the owner, Immanuel Buda. The restaurant which features other carryout foods will hold its grand opening Nov. 30. It is open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. (Staff photo)

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NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE BEING SOUGHT

Berrien Springs Budget Up 9%

New School Spending Plan Totals \$966,121

BERRIEN SPRINGS — A record budget for 1968-69 totalling \$966,121 was adopted last night by the Berrien Springs Board of Education. This is an increase of approximately nine per cent over last year's budget of \$869,625.

Salaries for the 98 teachers in the district accounted for the major part of the budget increase this year, including salaries for 17 new teachers and pay raises, according to Peter Rudell, board president.

Salaries for teachers holding the master's degree rose from \$6,250 last year for beginning teachers to \$6,750 this year, and from \$9,325 last year to \$10,152 for teachers in the highest pay categories with the M.A. degree.

Salaries for holders of the B.A. degree rose from \$5,850 for beginning teachers last year to \$6,300 this year. For holders of the bachelor's degree at the top of the pay scale, salaries went from \$8,307 to \$9,223.

A total of \$348,823 budgeted for operation of the two elementary schools in the district, \$305,288 is for teachers' salaries, an increase of \$35,228. Salaries for two elementary school principals this year come to \$22,835, up from \$15,800 last year.

Funds budgeted for secondary instruction amount to \$379,346, of which \$319,100 is for teacher salaries. Salaries for high school teachers amounted to \$254,807 last year.

The budget, which goes into effect in February, contains \$36,998 for administrative expenses, including a salary of \$16,000 for the superintendent of schools and \$13,000 for clerical help.

Other items budgeted are \$4,100 for health services; \$51,200 for transportation expenses, including salaries for bus drivers amounting to \$30,000; \$16,400 for operational expenses to cover utilities, and custodial and grounds services; \$8,500 for maintenance of plant facilities and equipment repairs; \$8,500 for fixed charges such as insurance and interest on loans; and \$12,500 for capital outlay for new equipment.

Money for the budget will come from an anticipated income of \$430,222 from local taxes on property in all of Oronoke township and parts of Berrien and Royalton townships having a valuation of \$24,444,444; \$10,000 from delinquent tax



BAND CANDY SALE: Members of the Gobles school bands trade their instruments for boxes of candy to sell to assist in the purchasing of new band uniforms and instruments. At left, band instructor Jeff Cole hands candy to Gary Holms and Vicki Van Dusen. A total of 137 band students from grades five through 12 will be selling 200 cases of bar candy. (Margaret Norman photo)

JUDGE LIGNELL

Fourth District Court In Cass Courthouse

CASSOPLIS — The Fourth District Court, which includes all of Cass county, will be housed in the Cass County Court house in Cassopolis.

County Clerk Kenneth Hore said the county board of supervisors has authorized the hiring of a contractor to make alterations on the top floor of the courthouse to provide offices and a courtroom for Judge Steg J. Lignell of Dwagiac, who will take office January 1.

Poe said plans call for dividing the present large circuit courtroom in two to provide a district courtroom. Lignell's office will be on the same floor, he said.

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Lignell said he is authorized one magistrate to assist him with traffic offenses and misdemeanor cases. Under his present plans, Lignell said, the magistrate will have his office in Dwagiac. He said that there are no plans at this time to have offices other than municipalities in the county.

The magistrate will be appointed by Lignell, with the approval of the board of supervisors.



D.A.R. SPEAKER: Edward S. Piggens, circuit court judge of the third judicial district, Detroit, (center) called for a return to patriotism in his address to members and guests of the Algonquin chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution Wednesday evening at Berrien Hills Country club. Mrs. Thomas Gillespie, left, was the program chairman and introduced Judge Piggens. Mrs. Joel Pearson is Regent of the local chapter. (Staff photo)

Old-Fashioned Ethics Said Needed In U.S.

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Judge Speaks To DAR

By JEANNETTE McDONALD

Staff Writer

An appeal to put some old-fashioned ethics into modern American life was made last night by a noted Detroit jurist at the annual banquet of Algonquin Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution in

Berrien Hills Country club.

Circuit Judge Edward S. Piggens of Detroit said bigotry should not be tolerated, and neither should the permissiveness which weakened America's institutions.

Judge Piggens, a former police commissioner of Detroit, who gained fame as a one-man grand juror said:

"As a trial judge, I must and would be the first to safeguard the just legal rights of the accused, but what about the just legal rights of society?"

RIGHTS OF VICTIMS

"What about the sacred rights of the victim who lies face down in a dark alley with a knife in his back or the dedicated police officer who has his head blown off by the blast of a hidden sniper's shotgun?"

"Our American Institution of the law, when properly administered is one of the most magnificent ever conceived."

Other observations by the judge:

"Have we forgotten the lessons taught and the examples set by those rugged patriots who literally hammered and chiseled this nation out of bedrock of a rugged wilderness, that one basic truism, that no nation, no society of men can ever succeed or even long exist without law and order, without a leadership of men of wisdom and devotion, without a people possessed of a strong national spirit of ethical responsibility? This, my fellow American is what ails America, if we would but have the intestinal fortitude to face up to it."

Recalling his grandfather, "A kindly rugged old Scot" Judge Piggens said, "he scorned bigotry and petty prejudices and realized that the Star Spangled Banner could sing with equal enthusiasm by Catholic, Protestant or Jew and that it took both the black and white keys to produce complete harmony."

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SELF-EXPRESSION

"We live in an age of permissiveness and indulgence where a felonious assault is merely a psychological manifestation of the development of self-expression," Judge Piggens said.

"Let me quote from an article which recently appeared in a most unusual publication,

"A boy lies rotting from malnutrition and torture in a jungle prison camp in North

Vietnam while another boy spits and tramples on the flag of this country on the steps of a university of learning. A boy lies sightless in a United States Naval hospital from communism-inflicted face wounds, while another boy uses a communist flag to drape himself in defiance of the laws of his country. A man of medicine begins his 30th straight hour standing over an operating table in pursuit of life, while another man of medicine implores crowds of young men to refuse to serve their country."

"A young Negro holds the face of his dead white comrade in his arms and cries pitifully in a dirty mud hole while another Negro screams with rage against his white brother in the streets of countless American cities. A man of God shields a wounded boy from an enemy bayonet with his body and dies while another man of God uses his cloth as a shield to preach hate, dissension and lawlessness. My God, — how can it be?"

"The source of that article? You'd never believe it! It appeared on the front page of a recent issue of 'The Spectator' the weekly newspaper published by the inmates of the State Prison of Southern Michigan!"

Of the Hippies, Judge Piggens said: "These are the members of the deprived class, those who were deprived of that old fashioned, woodshed-type of basic education that was always administered by a loving parent and usually through the posterior region of the human anatomy, but still an invaluable education that left lasting impressions of having achieved success the hard way."

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Committee Headed By Reuther

Program Would Cover Everyone In Country

DETROIT (AP) — United Auto Workers President Walter Reuther announced Thursday formation of a committee to mobilize the broadest possible support to achieve the goal of a national health insurance program.

Reuther made his announcement in a prepared speech to members of the American Public Health Association at a convention in Detroit.

Reuther did not offer specific plans for a health program, but suggested various guidelines around which a plan might be organized. He stressed that the program should pay for all necessary care and treatment of illness, mental and physical, and for rehabilitation.

EXPLAINS GOAL

Maintenance of health would be a major goal rather than "payment for sickness," Reuther said.

The labor leader suggested all residents of the country should be eligible; the program "should be an integral part of the national social insurance system," costs to be met by "contributions from management-labor funds, from appropriate government agencies for special population groups, from employer-employee contributions and from general revenue."

To be known as the Committee for National Health Insurance, the organization will be headed by Reuther as chairman. Three persons have accepted vice chairmanships, he said.

VICE CHAIRMAN

They are Whitney Young Jr., executive director of the National Urban League, Mrs. Mary Lasker of New York City, a noted philanthropist, and Dr. Michael DeBeaky, vice president for medical affairs and chairman of the Baylor University Department of Surgery.

"We are under no illusions that the task will be easy but we are determined to get on with the job," Reuther said.

"The crisis in health care is deep. The unmet needs of the American people are great, and the time for action is overdue."

"But we are confident that the American people will respond affirmatively to our call for action on the health front."

Reuther said the newly formed committee will open national headquarters in Washington, D. C. Friday.

All four directors whose terms expire this year were re-elected at the general membership meeting held in the fair's

new downtown offices at 233 Hubbard street, Allegan. Re-elected were Clarence J. Smith, E. W. DeLano, Edward Barton and John Campbell.

At the board of directors meeting held later, all present officers were re-elected including Rumery as president and secretary, Clair McOmber and George E. Horan, vice-presidents, and H. D. Tripp, treasurer.

Joe Armstrong was named to the board to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of James Pettapiece.

Fund Drive Extended

SOUTH HAVEN — The 1968

South Haven Community Chest campaign, almost two-thirds toward its goal, has been extended one week, drive chairman Robert Randall said today.

Contributions and pledges to the Chest campaign total \$17,857 or 63 per cent of the record \$29,000 goal.

The drive was originally scheduled to end today, but several major phases of the campaign have yet to be completed, Randall explained.



GLENN SPERRY

Mayor Not Up For Reelection

South Haven Has
5 Posts Open In
February Primary

Mayor Won't Run Again
SOUTH HAVEN — Mayor J. Glenn Sperry yesterday announced he will not seek a third term in office in the city spring elections.

In a statement issued yesterday at city hall, Sperry said he wished "to remove myself from consideration in order to offer the maximum opportunity and encouragement for others citizens to seek the position. I appreciate the opportunity given me to serve our city and the many courtesies extended me during the past three years.

Sperry, 33, became the city's first Democratic mayor on record when he won his first two-year seat in April, 1965. He announced in December, 1966, that he would not seek reelection, but later changed his mind and ran, and won, a second term in office.

FINANCIAL BOON
Sperry came into office during the height of controversy over the fate of the city-operated power plant. Under his leadership, the council moved into wholesale power purchase agreement with Indiana Michigan Electric Co. that has proved to be a financial boon for the city.

In addition, the council, under Sperry, launched a general program of street repair, a city-wide clean-up project calling for demolition of dilapidated buildings, planned a \$1,450,000 water and sewer system improvement project later approved by city electors, and planned a \$263,000 marina for the north branch of the Black River.

A \$4,000 urban renewal program for downtown South Haven was planned under Sperry, but city electors rejected the plan in a referendum election.

FIVE SPOTS OPEN

The mayor's chair will be one of five positions on the council open for grabs in city primary elections February 17. Other expiring jobs will be those of first ward aldermen Donald McGuire and Roscoe Pearson; second ward alderman Marion White, and third ward alderman Lester Pond.

None of the other council members have declared their intention to run again.

City Clerk Rita Verdonk said candidates must file petitions in her office by 4 p.m. December 30.

SUPERVISOR Candidates File Their Expenses

Two more men filed Nov. 5 election expense statements with Berrien County Clerk Forrest H. Kesterke.

George Reinhardt, winner of the District 12 county supervisor's race reported \$24,86, and Walter C. Miller, defeated candidate for District 11, \$62,22.

Candidates have until Nov. 25 to file statements.

South Haven Plan Group Still Opposes Filling Ravine

By JIM DONAHUE

South Haven Bureau

SOUTH HAVEN — Members of the South Haven planning commission made it clear in their meeting here last night that they may still stand in opposition to the city council's plan to fill the ravine east of city hall.

The battle between the commission and the council has already heated up over the planned project for over five years.

Aldermen last month ordered plans prepared for the construction of a new storm and sanitary sewer through the ravine, and an eventual filling of the hole with the completion of Quaker street, from Broadway to Center.

But commission members last night spoke out against the plan to spend some \$100,000 for sewer construction to hold the weight of 30 feet or more of fill dirt.

The commission has proposed a double-decked parking lot in the area in the past and apparently the idea still prevailed around the table last night.

SEWER LINE COST

Donald Lykins told fellow commissioners he was concerned over the high cost of building sewer lines when this cost could be avoided if other construction methods are used. Lykins mentioned the double decked parking ramp in his argument.

Another member, Danny Anderson, suggested grading the

ravine and making a small park out of it for the time being, until someone comes along with a plan to use the area. He pointed out that the biggest objection to the ravine has been the junk and wild brush growing in it.

The council has also been concerned over the crumbling supports under Phoenix street, which must be repaired soon before the street collapses.

Members voted to ask the city council to hold a joint meeting with the commission to discuss the ravine project together.

In other action, members discussed the recreation department's plan to construct a park and ball diamond in the city-owned property west of the city sewer plant. Members were in agreement that the property could be put to better use as a trailer park to complement the city boat ramps nearby on the Black River. Action on the matter was tabled until members can meet with city recreation director Bill Rhodes and study his proposal more carefully.

The commission also voted to recommend to the council that the new Al-Van Humane Society be leased property located east of Blue Star Memorial highway rather than at the sewer plant. Members said they felt the housing of dogs and other animals was not compatible